

# **MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE BRISTOL COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY**

**Wednesday, March 9, 2011**

**450 Child Street, Warren Office, Warren, RI**

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**Pursuant to proper notice, the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Bristol County Water Authority was called to order by Chairman Jannitto at 6:00 pm, 450 Child Street, Warren Office, Warren, Rhode Island. Executive Director Pasquale DeLise and the following Directors were in attendance at the commencement of the meeting:**

**William Gosselin, John Jannitto, John McElroy, Lloyd Matsumoto, Frank Nencka, Joseph Rego, Frank Sylvia**

**Directors Absent: David Dugan, Allan Klepper**

## **HOUSEKEEPING**

**Minutes of the following meeting were reviewed.**

**Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously**

**VOTED: That the minutes of the Board Meeting of February 10, 2011,**

**be approved.**

## **AUDIT FINANCE**

**Director Sylvia reported:**

### **Old Business**

**1. Meter Replacement Program Update, 11 meters installed in February.**

**2. Legal Costs Update, Committee stressed that legal invoices be kept at a minimum .**

**Local 359 President, Mr. Brian Mellor requested a copy of the Misc. Invoices. Executive Director DeLise stated that legal invoices do not represent public records.**

**3. Rate Structure Revisited, Committee requests that this item be presented with 2 separate matters; one concerning rate increases potentially concurrent with Providence rate increases; the other concerning BCWA rate structure.**

**4. Water Allocation Regulations, several meetings have been held. No final regulations have yet been decided.**

### **New Business**

**1. Quarterly Charge-Offs, Committee recommends approval as presented. Upon a motion duly made and seconded it was**

**VOTED: To approve the Quarterly Charge-Offs in the amount of \$7,643.76, as presented.**

**Motion passed unanimously.**

**Director Sylvia stated that Governor Chaffee, from his speech Save the State, has proposed a 1% sales tax on residential water. Director Sylvia asked the Executive Director to monitor the impact of this tax on BCWA water rates.**

## **Engineering**

**Director Jannitto reported:**

### **Old Business**

**1. Water Treatment Plant Project Update, Executive Director DeLise stated that a meeting is scheduled for 3/14/11 and the WTP & Shad Pipeline will be addressed by the RIWRB.**

**2. Serpentine road Drainage Project Update, No news at this time.**

**3. East Providence Additional Emergency Connection – Water Supply During Emergencies, Executive Director DeLise stated that the project will go ahead, provided BCWA has the funds. BCWA may be reimbursed 25% of the cost, the State will determine if we get reimbursed. This amount is not in the capital budget, we will have to look into financing options for the funds.**

**4. Anawan Reservoir Spillway – Miscellaneous Damage Due to Heavy Rain the Week of March 29, 2010, Executive Director DeLise stated that BCWA will have to repair the spillway and then wait for payment from FEMA. Total repair amount is estimated at \$29,000.**

## **PUBLIC RELATIONS/PERSONNEL COMMITTEE**

**Director Gosselin reported:**

### **Old Business**

**1. Recent Tri-Town Meeting Concerning BCWA Operational Review, Executive Director DeLise stated that the audit report is supposed to be ready by the end of March.**

**2. Staff Employee Salary Review, this item is postponed to April meetings.**

**3. BCWA Website, Engineering Technician Ms. Susan Andrade stated that she had met with the team leaders for the website. The team leader asked if a picture of the Board of Directors could be taken to put on the website. Director Sylvia stated that just the Chairman's picture should be on the website.**

### **New Business**

**1. RI State Science Fair (for Information Only), Science Fair will be held at Community College of RI on Saturday, March 26, 2011.**

**Executive Director DeLise congratulated Chairman Jannitto and**

**Director Klepper on their reappointment to the Board.**

## **NEXT STEPS**

- 1. Audit Finance Committee Meeting, Wednesday, April 6, 2011, 5:15 p.m., Warren Office, Boardroom, 450 Child Street.**
- 2. Engineering Committee Meeting, Wednesday, April 6, 2011, 5:20 p.m., Warren Office, Boardroom, 450 Child Street.**
- 3. Personnel/Retirement Committee Meeting, Wednesday April 6, 2011, 5:25 p.m., Warren Office, Boardroom, 450 Child Street.**
- 4. Board of Directors Monthly Meeting, Wednesday, April 13, 2011, 6:00 p.m., Warren Office, Boardroom, 450 Child Street.**

**The Chairman made the following motion, which was duly seconded**

**MOTION: To accept the dates for the April meetings.**

**Motion passed unanimously.**

**The Chairman made the following motion, which was duly seconded**

**MOTION: To adjourn the meeting.**

**Motion passed unanimously.**

**There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:35 pm.**

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**John L. McElroy, Jr.**  
**Secretary**